

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-24, 26 and 27 are pending in this application. Of these pending claims, Claims 1-8, 10-20 and 24 stand rejected; Claims 9, 26 and 27 stand objected to; and Claims 21-23 stand allowed. By way of this paper, Claims 1, 16, and 27 have been amended; and Claim 26 has been cancelled.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter.

The foregoing amendments and following remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the outstanding office action, and are believed to place the application in condition for allowance.

### **Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102**

Claims 1-8, 10-20, and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 as being anticipated by the Meyers et al. ('674) reference.

Independent Claims 1 and 16 have been amended to include the subject matter of claim 26 with claim 26 having been indicated by the Examiner as containing allowable subject matter. Claims 2-8, 10-15, 17 and 18 depend from claim 1 or claim 16. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. §102 rejection of Claims 1-8 and 10-18 is respectfully requested.

Claim 26 has been cancelled and the dependency of claim 27 has been amended such that claim 27 now depends from claim 1.

Claim 19 recites the feature of the gas flow guide including a fin. Claim 24 recites the feature of the gas flow guide including a plurality of fins that direct gas toward the heated surface. The term “fin” as defined in the Second College Edition of The American Heritage Dictionary, Copyright 1982, 1985 by Houghton Mifflin Company, means a projecting vane. A copy of this definition is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. This definition is consistent with the description of the term “fin” on page 8, lines 13-22 of the specification and the description of the term “fin” as shown in FIGS. 7 and 8. Applicants submit that this feature is not disclosed by the Meyers et al. ('674) reference.

The Meyers et al. ('674) reference discloses openings 154 in the form of holes or slots located in air impingement plates 112 and 114 (col. 7, lines 27-39; Fig. 2). The openings 154 disclosed in the Meyers et al. ('674) reference are not

the same as the fins described in the present invention because the opening 154 are not projecting vanes. Claim 20 depends from claim 19. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. §102 rejection of Claims 19, 20, and 24 is respectfully requested.

**Terminal Disclaimer**

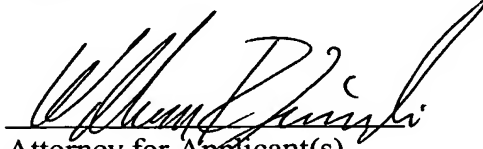
Applicants are filing herewith a terminal disclaimer in order to avoid a potential obviousness-type double patenting rejection of the claims of this application as being unpatentable over the claims of U.S. Patent application Serial No. 10/753,244. U.S. Patent application Serial No. 10/753,244 is the related application described on page 1, lines 5-8 of this application. Applicants request consideration and approval of the terminal disclaimer by the Examiner.

**CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully submitted that, in view of the above amendments and remarks, this application is now in condition for allowance, prompt notice of which is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned in the event that a phone interview will expedite prosecution of this application towards allowance.

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